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: 3636

Applicants

: David S. Teppo et al.

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: 09/885,877

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For

: 4510 : SHAPE-CHANGING SUPPORT, SUCH AS FOR SEATING

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2002, please amend the application GROUP 3600 as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 26.

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

1. A back construction for a seating unit comprising:

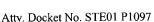
a flexible back hanel configured to support a seated user's torso; and

a bladder attached to the flexible back panel so that when the bladder expands in one direction and simultaneously shortens in a different direction, the back panel is flexed to a different shape.

The back construction defined in claim 1, wherein the bladder is elongated, and wherein 2. the different direction that shortens extends parallel a length of the elongated bladder.

3. (Amended) The back construction defined in claim 2, wherein the one direction is parallel a thickness direction.

The back construction defined in claim 3, wherein the length extends in a vertical 4. direction.



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper, together with all enclosures identified herein, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on the date indicated below.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are an Amendment Under §1.111 (12 pages) and a Return Postcard in the above-identified application.

Any fee for additional claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Col. 1		Col. 2	Col. 3	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total Claims	26	Minus	26	= 0	x \$9	\$0.00	x \$ 18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	= 0	x \$42	\$0.00	x \$ 84	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$140						\$0.00	x \$280	\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00		\$0.00

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1.	_	Small entity status of this application 37 CFR §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
2.	_x_	No additional fee is required.
3.	. —	A check in the amount of \$\\$ is attached.
4.	X	Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.
		16 2463. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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